

CTF - KOA COMMANDER'S SITREP  
TIME PERIOD ENDING: 252359 (Z) JULY 05

**1. COMMANDER'S SITREP:** TOTAL NUMBER OF PATROLS AND NUMBER OF JOINT PATROLS CONDUCTED WITH AFGHAN NATIONAL ARMY (ANA), AFGHAN NATIONAL POLICE (ANP), AFGHAN SECURITY FORCES (ASF), AND AFGHAN BORDER POLICE (ABP).

	ECHO	FOX	GOLF	WEAPONS	H&S	TOTAL
US ONLY	2	0	2	2	2	8
W/ANA	1	0	0	2	0	3
W/ANP	0	0	4	2	0	6
W/ASF	3	0	0	0	0	3
W/AMF	0	0	0	0	0	0
TOTAL	6	0	6	6	2	20

**2. ENEMY ATTACKS ON ANA, ANP, AND ASF PERSONNEL, GOVERNMENT LEADERS AND KEY INFRASTRUCTURE:** N/A.

**3. CURRENT, ONGOING, AND PROJECTED OPERATIONS:** THE BATTALION CONTINUES TO FOCUS OPERATIONS IN AREAS IDENTIFIED AS SECURITY CONCERNS IN SUPPORT OF OPERATION THUNDER FREEDOM AND OPERATION DETERMINED THUNDER RESOLVE. THE BATTALION ALSO HAS ONGOING OPERATIONS IN THE KORENGAL AND PECH VALLEYS, DAWLET SHAH AND ALISHANG VALLEYS. CTF KOA FORCES CONTINUES PATROLLING OPERATIONS IN THE KANDAGAL VALLEY, KUNAR PROVINCE ISO OPERATION RED WINGS II. CTF KOA HAS SHIFTED ITS PLANNING FOCUS TO THE UPCOMING ELECTION AND A BATTALION (-) SIZE OPERATION IN THE KUNAR PROVINCE.

**H&S CO:** CONDUCTED PERIMETER SECURITY, WHILE EXECUTING A VCP ON HWY 1. CONDUCTED PATROLS IOT DETERMINE POO/POI FROM THE ROCKET ATTACK ON JALAL ABAD AIRFIELD.

**ECHO CO:** E1 CONTINUED TO PROVIDE A PRESENCE IN THE KORENGAL VALLEY. ECHO CAAT B PROVIDED SITE SECURITY AROUND THE EXTRACTION LZ AND IED SITE IOT SUPPORT OF THE FBI'S INVESTIGATION. ADDITIONALLY THEY SUPPORTED THE RECOVERY EFFORT OF THE HMMWV. ECHO ALSO CONTINUED CORDON AND KNOCKS NORTH OF THE PECH RIVER, OPPOSITE THE BLAST SITE IOT DEVELOP INTELLIGENCE ABOUT THE IED STRIKE. ECHO COMPANY RESPONDED TO THEIR LATE EVENING ROCKET ATTACK WITH INDIRECT FIRE DIRECTED AT THE POO. FBI'S CEX CELL CONCLUDED THEIR INVESTIGATION AND RETURNED TO JAF BY THE ROUTE CLEARANCE TEAM

**FOX CO:** FOX COMPANY CONCLUDED THEIR RECONNAISSANCE PATROL IN SUPPORT OF FUTURE COMPANY AND BATTALION OPERATIONS. OPERATION TAMPA WAS POSTPONED TO A TBD.

**GOLF CO:** GOLF 3 BEGAN THEIR SECURITY PATROL TO THE SHINWAR, MUMAND DARA, DU BABA, AND NAZAN DISTRICT CENTERS, NANGARHAR PROVINCE IOT ALLOW CIVIL AFFAIRS, DEPARTMENT OF STATE REPRESENTATIVES, AND USAID TO CONDUCT ASSESSMENTS OF THE DISTRICTS. GOLF 2 CONDUCTED PLANNED OPS IN CHAPARHAR AND RODAT DISTRICTS, NANGARHAR PROVINCE

**WHISKEY CO:** W CO- 1ST PLT CONDUCTED JOINT MOUNTED AND DISMOUNTED PATROLS IN JALALABAD DISTRICT. 2ND PLT CONDUCTED A MOUNTED PATROL ON THE JALALABAD-KABUL ROAD CHECKING THE VCPS ALONG THE ROAD, FOUND BOULDERS ACROSS THE ROAD STOPPING TRAFFIC ENROUTE TO KABUL. 3RD PLT CONDUCTED MOUNTED AND DISMOUNTED PATROLS ATTEMPTING TO CONFIRM THE PRESENCE OF A WEAPONS CACHE ISO OPERATION DETERMINED HARVEST, NSTR.

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**4. ASSESSMENT OF LAST 24HRS.**

REPORTS OF MORE FIGHTERS COMING TO SERVE UNDER (b) (6) DOES NOT NECESSARILY MEAN THAT THEY WILL BE SERVING DIRECTLY UNDER HIM. THEY LIKELY WILL RECEIVE ORDERS FROM HIM, AND OPERATE IN SMALL GROUPS PER PAST ACTIVITY. (b) (6) HAS BEEN IN COUNTRY LONG ENOUGH NOW THAT HE SHOULD HAVE BEEN ABLE TO SEE NO IEDS IN THE AREA. THE POSSIBILITY EXISTS THAT WE'RE DEFEATING THEM WITH (b) (7)(f) MAY BE HE WILL CONCENTRATE MORE ON OWN SURVIVAL THAN ON KILLING IEDS. (b) (6) HAS HISTORY OF FIGHTING WITH CHECHEN AND TAJIK FIGHTERS IN TAJIKISTAN DURING HIS YOUTH. SO IT IS NO SURPRISE THAT HE HAS UZBEK FIGHTERS IN HIS POCKET.

**5. ASSESSMENT OF MAJOR EVENTS OR FIGURES/ORGANIZATIONS AND HOW YOUR OPERATIONS IMPACT OR ARE IMPACTED BY THEM.**

FAIRBANKS ACTIVITY COINCIDES WITH THE IED STRIKE REPORTS IN THE PESHAWAR AFGHAN ISLAMIC PRESS ATTRIBUTED TO (b) (6) IN WHICH HE CLAIMED NO KNOWLEDGE OF WHO ARRANGED THE IED STRIKE. HIS IS TRUE, ALTHOUGH HE WAS QUICK ON THE DRAW TO EXPLOIT THE MEDIA ANGLE AND CLAIM THE VEHICLE FELL IN THE RIVER. (b) (6) MAY HAVE RESIDENCES IN BOTH KHOGIANI AND JALALABAD CITY, AND MOVE FREQUENTLY BETWEEN THEM TO CONDUCT BUSINESS OR DODGE COALITION FORCES.

**6. ASSESSMENT OF ENVIRONMENT AND ATTITUDE OF THE POPULATION.** NO SIGNIFICANT CHANGE NOTED IN ANY PROVINCE. IED INCIDENT IN KONAR PROVINCE MAY SWAY OPINION OF THE POPULACE AS IT WILL LEAD TO A STRONG CF PRESENCE FOR THE NEXT FEW DAYS AT LEAST. TF KOA WILL EMPLOY TPT TO REINFORCE IO EFFORTS RELATIVE TO COUNTERING ACM IED MAKING AND PLACING ACTIVITIES.

**7. CURRENT OR FORECASTED CRITICAL SHORTFALLS AND WHAT ASSISTANCE IS NEEDED OR REQUESTED.**

7. A. SUPPORT IS REQUESTED IOT IMPROVE THE OPERATIONAL REACH OF TF KOA ALONG THE PECH RIVER ROAD. THE ASAD ABAD PRT AND TF KOA CONTINUE WORKING TOGETHER IN THE FOLLOWING AREAS:

- FORCE PROTECTION
- JINGLE TRUCK TRACKING
- IMPROVEMENTS TO THE ABAD TO BLESSING ROAD.
- UPDATE TO THE PEACE PAPERS

**8. ASSESSMENT OF NEXT 24-96 HRS:**

**24 - (26 JUL 05):** H&S CONDUCTS RECONNAISSANCE PATROLS IOT ASCERTAIN THE POINTS OF ORIGIN AND POINTS OF IMPACT FOR THE ROCKET ATTACK ON JAF. WHISKEY COMPANY 1ST PLT WILL CONTINUE TO CONDUCT MOUNTED AND DISMOUNTED PATROLS IN THE JALALABAD DISTRICT. 3RD PLT WILL CONDUCT JOINT MOUNTED AND DISMOUNTED PATROLS IN QARGHAYL DISTRICT IN ADDITION TO CONDUCTING POLLING SITE ASSESSMENTS IN THE DISTRICT. A PLATOON FROM ECHO COMPANY WILL CONTINUE TO PROVIDE PRESENCE THROUGHOUT THE KORENGAL VALLEY WITH CAAT B. THEY WILL CONTINUE TO PROVIDE SECURITY FOR THE RECOVERY OPERATIONS OF THE DESTROYED HMMWV AND AN ASSESSMENT OF THE STATUS OF THE ROAD. ECHO WILL ALSO SEND OUT A RECONNAISSANCE PATROL TO INVESTIGATE THE POINT OF IMPACT AND POINT OF ORIGIN FOR THEIR ROCKET ATTACK. FOX COMPANY CONDUCTS A MAINTENANCE STAND DOWN IOT PM VEHICLES, REVIEW SOP'S, AND CONDUCT DETAILED MONTHLY CMR. FOX 3 CONDUCTS MISSION PLANNING FOR FUTURE COMPANY OPERATIONS. FOX 1 IS FOB GUARD AND FOX 2 IS QRF. GOLF COMPANY WILL CONTINUE THEIR SECURITY PATROLS IN SUPPORT OF THE ATTACHED CIVIL AFFAIRS AND DOS REPRESENTATIVES IN NAZAN AND DUR BABA MUHAMMAD DARA DISTRICT NANGARHAR PROVINCE.

**48 - (27 JUL 05):** H&S CONTINUES THEIR SECURITY MISSION WITH LOCAL PATROLS IOT SECURE THE AREA AROUND JALAL ABAD AIR FIELD WHILE CONTINUING FORCE PROTECTION IMPROVEMENTS TO THE FOB. FOX COMPANY CONDUCTS PATROLLING IN SUPPORT OF FUTURE COMPANY PLANS. ONCE THE PECH RIVER ROAD IS CLEAR OF

RECOVERY OPERATIONS KOA 6 WILL BE GROUND ASSAULT CONVOYED TO JAF FOR BATTALION PLANNING. WHISKEY, ECHO AND GOLF COMPANIES CONDUCT SECURITY AND RECONNAISSANCE PATROLS IN THE VICINITY OF THE POLLING SITES WITHIN THEIR BATTLESPACES' IOT GATHER INTELLIGENCE ON ENEMY THREATS TO THE POLLING SITES. ECHO CO CONTINUES COMBINED PATROLLING OPERATIONS VIC KORENGAL VALLEY IOT DISRUPT ACM ACTIVITY, ADDITIONALLY THEY WILL CONTINUE TO INVESTIGATE IED INCIDENT IOT DEVELOP THE INTELLIGENCE PICTURE. KOA STAFF CONTINUES PLANNING FOR FUTURE OPERATIONS. BATTALION SUPPORTS MCS-LIGHT AND BFT UPGRADES AT ALL FOBS.

**72 - (28 JUL 05):** GOLF, WHISKEY, FOX AND ECHO COMPANIES CONTINUE PATROLS IN ORDER TO SUPPORT BATTALION ISR PLAN IOT PROVIDE INFORMATION FOR THE PLANNING OF POLLING SITE SECURITY. ECHO CO CONTINUES COMBINED PATROLLING OPERATIONS VIC KORENGAL VALLEY IOT DISRUPT ACM ACTIVITY. KOA STAFF CONTINUES PLANNING FOR FUTURE OPERATIONS. BATTALION SUPPORTS MCS-LIGHT AND BFT UPGRADES AT ALL THE FOBS.

**96 - (29 JUL 05):** ALL COMPANIES CONTINUE PATROLS IN ORDER TO SUPPORT BATTALION ISR PLAN IOT PROVIDE INFORMATION FOR THE PLANNING OF THE ELECTIONS. ECHO CO CONTINUES COMBINED PATROLLING OPERATIONS VIC KORENGAL VALLEY IOT DISRUPT ACM ACTIVITY. KOA STAFF CONTINUES PLANNING FOR FUTURE OPERATIONS. BATTALION SUPPORTS MCS-LIGHT AND BFT UPGRADES AT ALL THE FOBS.

**FUTURE:** CONTINUE TO PLAN OPERATIONS AGAINST PASHTOON'S NETWORK IN NORTHERN LAGHMAN AND AHMAD SHAH IN KUNAR PROVINCE. BEGIN DEVELOPING A TARGET PACKAGE ON FOREIGN FIGHTERS LOCATED AT ARANAS, [REDACTED] DISTRICT, NURISTAN PROVINCE AND REFINE EXISTING TARGET PACKAGE ON [REDACTED] (b) (6), KHOGYANI DISTRICT, NANGARHAR PROVINCE. REGISTRATION FOR [REDACTED] IS ONGOING THROUGH 21 JULY AND COMPANIES HAVE BEEN PASSED THE LOCATIONS OF VOTER REGISTRATION SITES AND BEEN ASSIGNED TASKS ASSOCIATED WITH PHYSICAL AND NON-KINETIC RECONNAISSANCE. THE BATTALION WILL PROVIDE A BACK BRIEF ON CACHE RECOVERY IN SUPPORT OF OPERATION DETERMINED HARVEST AND HAS ALREADY BEGUN RECOVERY OPERATIONS.

**INFORMATION OPERATIONS/PEACE PAPERS:** WE WOULD LIKE THE MORE UPDATED ISSUES OF THE PEACE PAPERS AND ARE AWAITING THEIR ARRIVAL.

**9. ANA: 1/1/201 KANDAK:** HHC, 2<sup>ND</sup> CO & WPNS CO PROVIDED FORCE PROTECTION AT ABAD, ALL 3 COMPANIES WERE PAID. 3<sup>RD</sup> CO PROVIDED FORCE PROTECTION AND QRF FOR JBAD AND GUARDS DDR HEAVY WEAPONS CANTONMENT AREA. 1<sup>ST</sup> PROVIDED FORCE PROTECTION NARAI. WPNS CO 1/1/201 PROVIDED FORCE PROTECTION FOR METHAR LAM FOB. ANA BN LEADERSHIP MOVED TROOPS WITHOUT PRIOR COORDINATION VIC XD 9963

**10. PERSONNEL:**  
(62 OF THE 1053 REPORTED ARE U.S. ARMY ATTACHMENTS)

OFFICER	ENLISTED	TOTAL
59	992	1053

**11. COMMANDER'S COMMENTS:**

**DIPLOMATIC:** KOA 6 MET WITH THE VILLAGE ELDERS OF NANGALAM, KUNAR PROVINCE ON 25 JUL 05. KOA 6 REITERATED TO THE VILLAGE ELDERS THAT THEY MUST ACCEPT RESPONSIBILITY FOR THE ENTIRE PROVINCE AND NOT ONLY THEIR VILLAGE. THE VILLAGE ELDERS RESPONDED THAT THEY WERE DOING WHAT THEY COULD TO MAINTAIN A SAFE ENVIRONMENT AND THAT THEY WOULD WORK TO GAIN THE COOPERATION OF THE VILLAGES IN THE DISTRICT. GOV WAFFA WAS UNABLE TO MAKE TIME TO MEET WITH KOA 5 AS HE TRANSITED THROUGH JALAL ABAD. TF KOA WILL CONTINUE TO REQUEST A MEETING WHEN GOV WAFFA RETURNS FROM KABUL AND THAT IF WE ARE UNABLE TO MEET WITH GOV WAFFA THAT TF KOA MAY NEED TO RECONSIDER ITS RELATIONSHIP WITH THE GOVERNOR.

**N:** [REDACTED] (b) (6) UESTS AN OPERATIONAL LEVEL IO CAMPAIGN PLAN AGAINST [REDACTED] (b) (6). [REDACTED] (b) (6) IS QUOTED IN THE PESHAWAR AFGHAN ISLAMIC PRESS AS [REDACTED] COORDINATED THE IED STRIKE AGAINST TF KOA'S CONVOY. HOWEVER, IT IS CLEAR FROM THE PAST TEN WEEKS THAT TF KOA IS BEING OUT CYCLED

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IN THE INFORMATION WAR BY (b) (6). (b) (6) ACTIVITIES IN THE PAST 48 HOURS CLEARLY PAINT AN ENEMY FLAPITALIZES ON HIS SUCCESS WITHOUT TF KOA BEING ABLE TO MITIGATE HIS IO CAMPAIGN PLAN.

**MILITARY:** KOA 6 REMAINS AT CAMP BLESSING IOT COORDINATE OPERATIONS IN THE PECH RIVER AND KORENGAL VALLEYS. CEXC PERSONNEL CONDUCTED SSE OF THE IED AND INITIAL REPORTS INDICATE THAT THE IED MAY HAVE BEEN COMMAND-DETONATED WITH A LONG RANGE CORDLESS TELEPHONE AND 30 POUNDS OF HIGH EXPLOSIVE BURIED IN THE ROAD. KOA 6 WILL RETURN TO ASAD ABAD ON 27 JUL 05 IOT LINK UP WITH THE REMAINDER OF HIS CONVOY AND THEN PROCEED TO JAF. TF KOA AND ASAD ABAD PRT WERE INFORMED THAT A JINGA TRUCK ENROUTE TO CAMP BLESSING HAD OVERTURNED ON A PORTION OF THE ROAD; THE ROAD IS COMPLETELY IMPASSABLE DUE TO IT GIVING WAY UNDER THE WEIGHT OF THE TRUCK. ECHO CO AND KOA 4 ARE AT THAT LOCATION TO DO A SITE SURVEY; ASAD ABAD PRT IS ALSO SENDING UP THEIR CONTRACTOR WHO HAS THE PECH VALLEY ROAD CONTRACT IOT GET HIS ASSESSMENT OF THE LENGTH OF TIME, COST, AND ASSETS REQUIRED TO REPAIR THE ROAD. GOLF AND WHISKEY COMPANIES CONTINUE TO PATROL IN NANGARHAR IOT DEVELOP THE ANA AND ANP'S CAPABILITIES WHILE FOCUSING ON THE DISRUPTION OF ILLEGAL VCPS ALONG HIGHWAY A1.

**ECONOMIC:** NSTR

**12. OPERATIONAL REMINDER:** COMMUNICATION NEEDS TO BE REHEARSED IN EVERY CPS BATTLE DRILL. OUR ABILITY TO CONVEY INFORMATION AND OUR SUBORDINATES' ABILITY TO PAINT A PICTURE IS INTEGRAL TO FORCE PROTECTION AND OFFENSIVE OPERATIONS. CONTINUE TO WORK TO HONE THESE SKILLS.

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